

MADISON COUNTY

FARM STATISTICS

April 2000

Madison County is located in the central part of New York State. In 1998, there were 202,700 acres in farms, 48 percent of the county's total 419,840 acres. There were 840 farms in the county averaging 241 acres per farm. Madison County ranks 16th in the state for number of farms and 13th for land in farms.

In 1997, according to the Census of Agriculture, the market value of all agricultural products sold from county farms was \$65.7 million. Total sales averaged \$94,928 per farm. The leading products sold were: dairy products, cattle and calves, hay and silage, nursery and greenhouse, and corn for grain.

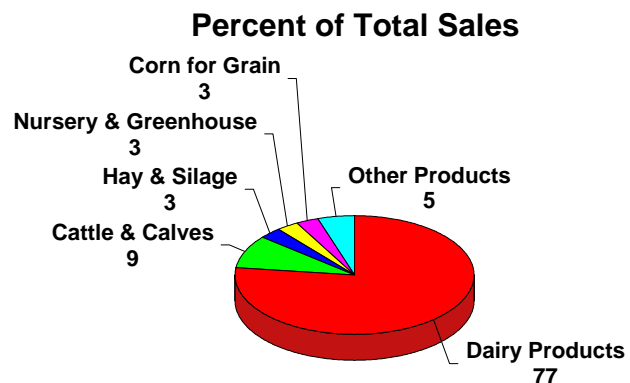
The average value of land and buildings per farm in 1997 was \$237,676. Machinery and equipment were valued at \$63,622 per farm. Total production expenses in 1997 were \$48.0 million for an average of \$69,208 per farm. The Census showed 68 percent of the farm operators reported farming as their principal occupation. The average age of the operator was 52.0 years. Data from the U.S. Department of Commerce showed the average personal income for all wage earners in the county in 1996 was \$20,496.

LEADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

Product	1997 Sales Thous. Dol.	Percent of Total	County Rank
Dairy Products	50,575	77	8
Cattle & Calves	5,820	9	10
Hay & Silage	2,292	3	11
Nursery & Greenhouse	2,146	3	28
Corn for Grain	2,090	3	17
Other Products	2,767	5	
TOTAL SALES	65,690		19

1997 Census of Agriculture

LEADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS



FARMS, LAND IN FARMS, AND LAND USE

Year	Number of Farms	Land in Farms	Total Cropland 1/	Permanent Pasture 2/	Total Woodland 3/	Other Land 4/
		Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres
1940	2,752	318,159	5/	5/	42,221	5/
1950	2,360	317,578	164,814	84,752	51,720	16,292
1959	1,693	302,334	154,806	80,167	50,637	16,724
1969	1,075	236,010	141,314	5/	41,622	5/
1978	920	236,012	151,042	22,466	45,242	17,262
1982	888	233,061	143,168	27,367	41,389	21,137
1987	875	220,000	144,700	21,900	37,100	16,300
1992	820	215,100	133,600	25,300	37,200	19,000
1993	830	212,500	132,000	24,300	36,200	20,000
1994	835	206,000	129,400	23,600	34,500	18,500
1995	825	204,800	128,800	24,100	34,100	17,800
1996	830	201,000	128,200	24,200	32,900	15,700
1997	830	199,800	127,200	24,600	32,500	15,500
1998	840	202,700	130,300	24,500	32,400	15,500

1940-1982 U.S. Census of Agriculture 1/ Includes cropland pastured. 2/ Excludes cropland and woodland pastured.

3/ Includes woodland pastured. 4/ Land in house lots, ponds, wasteland, etc. 5/ Not available.

FARMS BY SALES CLASS

Sales Class	1992	1997
Number of Farms		
Under \$10,000	244	247
\$10,000 to \$49,999	106	122
\$50,000 to \$99,999	93	108
\$100,000 or more	256	215
Farms Reporting	699	692

U. S. Census of Agriculture

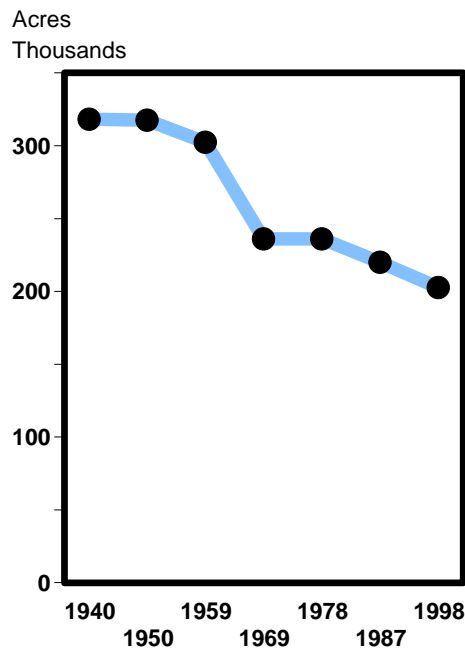
RESIDENT POPULATION

In 1998, County's population ranked 36th in the state

Year	Total	Population Per Square Mile
1940	39,600	60
1950	46,200	70
1960	54,600	83
1970	62,900	96
1980	65,100	99
1990	69,100	105
1998	71,069	108

U.S. Census of Population

Land in Farms



CATTLE: Number on Farms, January 1

Year	All Cattle & Calves	Beef Cows	Milk Cows
Number on farms			
1940	52,900	1/	1/
1950	56,254	571	34,571
1959	60,535	774	36,759
1969	53,674	1,577	31,490
1978	54,000	1,400	32,500
1982	67,000	2,000	37,500
1987	63,000	1,400	34,000
1992	54,000	1,200	30,000
1993	54,000	900	28,700
1994	52,000	1,100	28,000
1995	51,000	900	29,000
1996	50,000	900	25,000
1997	49,000	1,300	25,500
1998	48,000	1,400	24,500

1940-1969 U.S. Census of Agriculture

1/ Not available.

MILK: Cows & Production

Year	Annual Avg. Milk Cows	Average Production Per Cow	Total Milk Production
No. Head Pounds Million lbs.			
1940	1/	1/	1/
1950	1/	1/	1/
1959	1/	1/	1/
1969	1/	1/	1/
1978	33,000	11,800	389.4
1982	37,000	11,900	440.3
1987	33,000	13,900	458.7
1992	29,000	15,300	443.7
1993	28,500	15,100	430.3
1994	28,000	15,300	428.4
1995	26,000	16,200	421.2
1996	26,000	16,000	416.0
1997	24,500	16,000	392.0
1998	24,500	16,200	396.9

1/ Not available.

OATS: Acreage, Yield, and Production

Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production
Acres Acres Bushels Bushels				
1940	1/	8,752	33.2	290,647
1950	1/	8,018	34.2	274,416
1959	1/	19,488	58.8	1,146,315
1969	1/	1/	1/	1/
1978	14,100	12,000	66.0	792,000
1982	11,200	10,000	68.0	680,000
1987	8,400	6,900	65.0	448,500
1992	5,100	4,900	64.0	313,600
1993	4,500	4,200	61.0	256,400
1994	3,600	3,000	65.0	195,000
1995	3,700	3,000	65.0	195,400
1996	3,900	3,200	61.0	195,500
1997	4,600	4,100	59.0	241,900
1998	5,500	4,800	64.0	307,200

1940-1969 U.S. Census of Agriculture

1/ Not available

WHEAT: Acreage, Yield, and Production

Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production
Acres Acres Bushels Bushels				
1940	1/	2,715	26.2	71,038
1950	1/	4,564	31.1	141,812
1959	1/	1,761	29.0	50,995
1969	500	500	40.0	20,000
1978	300	300	36.0	10,800
1982	1,000	800	43.0	34,400
1987	500	400	39.0	15,600
1992	1/	1/	1/	1/
1993	400	400	45.0	18,000
1994	600	600	60.0	36,000
1995	700	600	63.0	37,600
1996	900	800	45.0	36,000
1997	800	800	53.0	42,400
1998	800	700	55.0	38,500

1940-1969 U.S. Census of Agriculture

1/ Not available.

EQUINE: Inventory and Value,

Total Equine	Rank in State	Inventory Value	Rank in State
922	20	\$258,000	16

CORN: Acreage, Yield, and Production

Year	All Planted	Grain			Silage		
		Harvested	Yield	Production	Harvested	Yield	Production
	Acres	Acres	Bushels	Bushels	Acres	Tons	Tons
1940	20,120	3,449	37.8	130,376	1/	10.1	1/
1950	21,313	4,335	51.6	223,881	16,715	10.1	168,387
1959	20,820	5,700	58.8	335,174	14,899	10.9	162,435
1969	28,200	8,500	91.0	773,500	1/	1/	1/
1978	41,500	16,700	90.0	1,503,000	24,200	13.4	323,850
1982	42,300	18,200	90.0	1,638,000	23,800	13.2	314,200
1987	42,000	17,300	100.0	1,730,000	24,200	14.0	338,800
1992	32,900	15,300	87.0	1,331,100	16,200	14.8	239,800
1993	39,900	14,900	100.0	1,490,000	24,600	13.8	339,800
1994	40,200	15,700	114.0	1,792,900	24,500	15.2	371,600
1995	38,700	17,300	103.0	1,781,200	21,200	14.3	302,100
1996	37,100	17,700	101.0	1,787,600	19,100	15.8	301,100
1997	37,700	16,900	107.0	1,808,300	20,500	14.9	305,400
1998	34,800	15,500	112.0	1,736,000	19,300	15.3	295,200

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1/ Not available

HAY: Acreage, Yield, and Production 1/

Year	Alfalfa Hay			Other Hay			Total Hay		
	Harvested	Yield	Production	Harvested	Yield	Production	Harvested	Yield	Production
	Acres	Tons	Tons	Acres	Tons	Tons	Acres	Tons	Tons
1940	22,093	1.6	36,373	56,415	1.3	73,995	78,508	1.4	110,368
1950	19,255	2.3	44,204	43,601	1.8	79,175	62,856	2.0	123,379
1959	38,937	2.5	98,574	27,718	1.8	50,544	66,655	2.2	149,118
1969	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	56,051	2.5	139,320
1978	44,500	2.7	120,200	18,000	2.1	37,800	62,500	2.5	158,000
1982	41,200	2.7	111,200	16,700	2.1	35,100	57,900	2.5	146,300
1987	41,000	2.6	108,500	12,000	2.3	28,000	53,000	2.6	136,500
1992	30,100	2.4	71,800	14,500	2.0	29,200	44,600	2.3	101,000
1993	25,700	2.5	64,500	17,200	2.2	37,600	42,900	2.4	102,100
1994	22,700	3.0	68,800	17,000	2.5	42,400	39,700	2.8	111,200
1995	23,800	2.6	61,900	15,800	2.1	33,100	39,600	2.4	95,000
1996	27,200	2.8	76,200	14,400	2.0	29,100	41,600	2.5	105,300
1997	28,500	2.5	71,800	15,700	1.9	29,800	44,200	2.3	101,600
1998	26,700	2.4	63,400	13,700	2.1	28,400	40,400	2.3	91,800

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1/ Dry hay only - excludes silage and green chop

2/ Not available